

APPENDIX G

DEFINITIONS:

AAC: Alaska Administrative Code.

ADF&G: Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

ADL: Alaska Division of Lands.

Alternatives: Optional courses of actions.

Annual Success: An annual average of clients that successfully harvest a minimum of one big game species regardless of the number of species pursued.

Appeal: An appeal in which a court or administrative agency must review the decision that is sought to be reversed.

AS: Alaska Statute.

Authority: The authorization, power, or right to act on behalf of the State of Alaska. For the purpose of the GCP the statutory authorities operated under are: AS 38.05.020, Authority and duties of the commissioner, AS 38.05.035, Powers and duties of the director, and AS 38.05.850, Permits.

Authorized Use: A use allowed by DNR by permit, lease, or other mechanism.

BGCSB: Big Game Commercial Services Board, falls under Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

Big Game: Brown bear, grizzly bear, caribou, moose, black bear, bison, Sitka blacktail deer, elk, mountain goat, musk-ox, and mountain or Dall sheep; "big game" includes wolf and wolverine when taken under hunting regulations.

BLM: Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior.

BOG: Board of Game, The Board of Game is the state's regulatory authority that passes regulations to conserve and develop Alaska's wildlife resources.

CBPL: Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing, within Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development.

Commercial: An action or operation that generates income from the buying, selling, renting, bartering or trading of goods and services.

Commercial Recreation Permit (CRP): An authorization given by DMLW for commercial recreation operations on general state land in Alaska. This authorization allows the permittee to operate for up to 14 days in one location before they must move at least two miles. At this point, another 14 day period begins. CRPs are authorized for up to one calendar year at a time.

Concession: The number of permits available within a concession area.

Concession Area: A geographic area within the state of Alaska with boundaries defined by DNR.

Concession Permit: A permit granted under AS 38.05.850 that authorizes non-exclusive access to state land within a guide concession area and permits commercial big game guiding.

DCCED: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

DMLW: Division of Mining, Land & Water, within Department of Natural Resources. The DMLW is the primary manager of Alaska's upland, shoreland, tideland and submerged land.

DNR: Department of Natural Resources.

DOL: Department of Law.

DPOR: Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, within Department of Natural Resources.

DPS: Department of Public Safety.

Evaluation Panel: An anonymous review and scoring panel(s) of all guide concession applications.

Exclusive Guide Areas (EGA): The system of guide area allocation created in 1976 by the Alaska Guide Licensing and Control Board. This system of exclusive guiding areas was later found unconstitutional by the Alaska Supreme Court in 1988, in what is commonly known as the *Owsichek* decision and was abolished.

Federal Lands: In the context of the proposed Guide Concession Program, these are lands owned and managed by BLM.

Full Concession: A type of concession that is limited to six assistant guides.

Game Management Unit (GMU): Land area boundaries designated by ADF&G for the regulation and management of subsistence and sport hunting in Alaska.

Good Standing: The condition of being a registered, assistant, or Master guide whose license is not suspended, revoked or on probation due to a disciplinary action by the Division of Occupational Licensing or the Big Game Commercial Services Board; also the condition of not currently being in trespass status and/or not delinquent in fees owed to DNR or other applicable land owners.

Guide Concession Area (GCA): Proposed concession areas within the Guide Concession Program.

Guide Concession Program (GCP): A proposed area based allocation program under which big game hunting guides would competitively apply for and potentially be awarded specific, enumerated guide concessions within present guide use areas. These concessions would not be transferable and would be of limited duration. Each concession will be either a full or limited concession. These concessions would only be in effect on state and possibly BLM managed lands.

Guide Licensing and Control Board (GLCB): A board created in 1973 by the legislature to “protect fish and game management” and “to get competent people as guides in Alaska.”

Guide Use Area (GUA): Land area boundaries designated and managed by the Division of Occupational Licensing and the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

Guide: To provide, for compensation or with the intent or with an agreement to receive compensation, services, equipment, or facilities to a big game hunter in the field by a person who accompanies or is present with the big game hunter in the field either personally or through an assistant.

Land Use Permit (LUP): An authorization given by DMLW for commercial recreation operations on general state land in Alaska. This authorization allows the permittee to commercially operate in one location longer than a 14 day period.

Limited Concession: A type of concession limited to one assistant guide and a maximum of four clients.

Minimum Requirements: Six threshold requirements each applicant to the guide concession program must meet before their application will be scored for a concession. These requirements are found in the Proposed Decision under Program Design, Minimum Requirements.

Non-Exclusive: The right to use the area is not given to one individual.

NPS: National Park Service, Department of Interior.

NRO: Northern Regional Land Office. This Office is one of three Regional Land Offices that have primary management responsibility for approximately 70 to 80 million acres of land, tideland, submerged land, and shoreland throughout the state.

Owsichek Decision: The decision rendered by the Alaska Supreme Court in 1988 that abolished the former Exclusive Guide Area system on state land. In the decision the Court found the EGA system unconstitutional for four main reasons: they were not subject to competitive bidding; provided no remuneration to the state; were of unlimited duration; and guides were able to transfer them for a profit as if they owned them.

Parks Land: In the context of the proposed Guide Concession Program, these are lands owned and/or managed by the DPOR.

Scoring Criteria: A 300 point application that must be completed and submitted in order to apply for a GCA.

SCRO: Southcentral Regional Land Office, within DMLW. This Office is one of three Regional Land Offices that have primary management responsibility for approximately 70 to 80 million acres of land, tideland, submerged land, and shoreland throughout the state.

SERO: Southeast Regional Land Office, within DMLW. This Office is one of three Regional Land Offices that have primary management responsibility for approximately 70 to 80 million acres of land, tideland, submerged land, and shoreland throughout the state.

Shoreland: Lands covered by non-tidal water which are navigable up the ordinary high water mark as modified by accretion, erosion, or reliction.

State Land: A generic term meaning all state land, including all state-owned and state-selected uplands, shorelands, tidelands and submerged lands or resources belonging to or acquired by the state.

SUA: Special Use Area (11 AAC 96.014).

Submerged Land: Lands remaining covered by the ebb and flow of the tides extending three geographical miles or further as may hereafter be properly claimed by the state.

Tideland: Lands between the lines of the mean high and mean low tides covered and uncovered successively by the ebb and flow of those tides.

Trespass: To enter upon land without authorization from the land owner.

Uplands: Land above the mean high water line and ordinary high water mark.

USFWS: United State Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior.